

RESOLUTION NO. ____

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA WAIVING THE BIDDING REQUIREMENT AND APPROVING THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE MEDICAL DIRECTOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AND THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA FOR MEDICAL DIRECTOR SERVICES SUPPORTING THE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, providing Emergency Medical Services is a core function of the fire service, with medical assistance constituting 85 percent of calls for service to the Chula Vista Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, in 2013 the City entered into an agreement with the County of San Diego, Health and Human Services Agency, Emergency Medical Services Division, to provide Advanced Life Support (ALS) through its paramedics; and

WHEREAS, ALS requires medical expertise, through a Medical Director, a physician with prehospital emergency medical services training who provides expertise that guides the Department's ALS policies and procedures, quality improvement and training; and

WHEREAS, the City does not employ staff with the level of expertise required for medical direction in ALS; and

WHEREAS, the City has considered options for medical direction and has concluded that the University of California, San Diego (UCSD) is uniquely qualified to provide medical direction, through a Medical Director, in ALS to the Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, UCSD has a unique performance capability because it is the only academic medical center in San Diego county with the resources, staffing and experience to provide medical director services and access to academic facilities for ALS training; and

WHEREAS, there are no other academic medical centers in San Diego county with the resources and ability to provide Medical Director services; and

WHEREAS, on December 10, 2013, the City Council approved Resolution 2013-249, waiving the City's bidding requirement because of the sole source exception and approving a two-year contract with UCSD to have one of its doctors serve as the Medical Director for the Chula Vista Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, the contract allows extension of the term with the written agreement of both parties; and

WHEREAS, on September 22, 2015, the City Council approved Resolution 2015-522, waiving the City's bidding requirement because of the sole source exception and approving the First Amendment to the original contract, which extended the term to September 30, 2018 and provided for a one-percent increase in compensation to UCSD for each year in the three-year term, to \$41,211.96; and

WHEREAS, Department and UCSD wish to continue the partnership by entering into a Second Amendment for a three-year term, October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2021, in which Dr. Jennifer Farah, M.D. will serve as the Medical Director for the Chula Vista Fire Department, with no increase in compensation from the current amount of \$41,211.96 per year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Chula Vista that it waives the bidding requirement pursuant to Chula Vista Municipal Code Sections 2.56.090(B)(2) and 2.56.110(H)(2) as impractical and in the City's best interests, because UCSD is a unique provider of necessary Medical Director services for the Fire Department's ALS program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Chula Vista that it approves the Second Amendment to the Medical Director Agreement Between the Regents of the University of California and the City of Chula Vista for Medical Director Services supporting the Fire Department's Advanced Life Support Program, in the form presented, with such minor modifications as may be required or approved by the City Attorney, a copy of which shall be kept on file in the Office of the City Clerk, and authorizes and directs the Mayor to execute same.

Presented by

Approved as to form by

Jim Geering
Fire Chief

Glen R. Googins
City Attorney